Victory Energy would need to be able to sell those features in order to be competitive. And that was good for both companies, a win-win. Victory sells boilers, Erie Power gets its royalty.

To help you understand this case a little bit better, it's a good idea to explain what a boiler does. An industrial boiler is the same as the boilers and the hot water heaters that we have in our own homes. Basically, it consists of a vessel where you heat water, and in the case of these industrial boilers, you heat it to steam.

There are three types of, predominantly three types of watertube boilers. There's the D-type, A-type and the O-type. And literally get their names from their shapes.

D being the shape of a D, A and O. This case involves the O-type watertube package boiler.

Now, watertube boilers are used primarily today to make steam to power large industrial machines and to provide steam as heat for factories. And also in certain instances to make electricity.

Back in the last century, boiler manufacturers sold boilers with tubes of walls literally lined up and touching. As you can see here, this is an old Zurn brochure that was distributed publicly, about 27 years ago, it was from 1980. If you could zero in on that, Jeremy, please. There we see the tubes are literally touching. And that's the way these boilers were designed up until about 20, 25 years ago.

Again, as I indicated, it became important for the gaps between these tubes to be sealed so that the incombustible fuel, that means the gas that gets shot into these boilers, all gets burned up. Because if it doesn't get burned, it can leak through and that causes pollution.

So initially what some boiler manufacturers would do is literally run a bead up these tubes. That was called seal welding. But that quickly proved to be an inefficient method of fixing this emissions problem. Because seal welding is time consuming, it's inefficient and, most importantly, it can cause, when you're welding those tubes together, it can cause the welder to burn right through the tube causing damage to the boiler.

So there was an innovation made, which dates back 50 years to have membrane walls on the tubes. Membrane walls are just what it sounds like. You have a tube, these are two-inch tubes, ladies and gentlemen, the tubes have fins on them and stick out just like this. You butt the two fins together, you run a bead or a weld right between those tubes. And you create a wall, a membrane wall. That is what we're talking about here. Membrane wall construction.

By doing this, it effectively seals in the gases so that all the fuel can be combusted, solves the problem. Also, a better way of building a boiler because it provides the boiler with more structural soundness and it's cheaper to make.

Tubes cost more than bars. So you take the tubes out, you put the bars in, it saves you money.

Now, there are a number of standards that you're going to hear about during this case that govern what boiler manufacturers can and can't do in terms of putting these boilers together. The primary standards are from the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, that's the ASME code. And the standards that are governed by the American Welding Society. The AWS code. Those will govern the way in which you can put these boilers together. You'll hear some evidence about that. I'll get back to that in a minute.

Now, the parties recognize that in order for Victory Energy to be successful in selling the Keystone boiler, it would need to include membrane walls. Without the competitive enhancements, there was no win-win under the license. Without a win-win, Victory can't sell boilers and Erie Power doesn't get the royalties.

Now, although these are commodity products, these are not off the shelf products. You saw the size of the industrial watertube boilers and the way that they are used in a customer's fabrication shop. This isn't something you just roll out of your warehouse where you got it moth balled. They have to be designed so they can fit within the customer's space. You need to have some flexibility with doing that. For instance, not every boiler operates at the same altitude or

temperature. Also, the customer may have a limited size restriction, so you have to allow for variations in size.

Now, the parties recognize that Victory would need this flexibility. Due to the absence of the Keystone boiler from the marketplace, it had not been actively marketed for over 10 years, the only designs that Erie Power had available were the old tangent tube designs for the standard models. You will hear testimony there never has been any standard designs or drawings for membrane wall boilers.

So the only thing that Victory could get standard for the various sizes of boilers, were the tangent tube drawings. And the parties understood that. And that was okay with Victory Energy and Erie Power, again, win-win. They recognized that Victory would have to spend some time making its own membrane wall drawings so that it could sell these Keystone boilers. That was okay with Victory, they were more than willing to do their fair share to get this off the ground.

Now, in order to put this understanding into a contract, Mark White, who was the director of sales and marketing at Erie Power at the time, drafted an agreement that would have allowed for flexibility. He drafted an agreement so that the parties knew and understood that they would be able to build boilers with the features that customers wanted and with the enhancements that customers demanded.

You'll see here the definition of products in the

2.0

License Agreement. "Products shall mean natural circulation industrial watertube package steam generators with a steam capacity range between 29,000 up to and including 150,000 pph," as you heard that is pounds per hour.

The next sentence, ladies and gentlemen, which

Indeck wants you to forget all about, they tell you it doesn't

mean anything, just throw it out, doesn't help us, so just

forget about it. It says "products shall include but not be

limited to the items set forth in Annex I." Why would they say

that, "products shall include but not be limited to the items

set forth in Annex I."

They said that because they knew this agreement would need to have flexibility for Victory Energy to sell the boilers that customers wanted, meeting the customers expectations.

Now, Annex I which you heard about, also provided information that is relevant. Annex I describes the products in the first line. "Description of products. Erie Power Technologies, Inc. M-Series Keystone watertube boilers to include the 8M, 9M, 10M," all way up to the 22M. Now, below that is the design. "For the purposes of this agreement, the thermal performance of the above M-Series Keystone boilers, products, are based on the following design parameters."

A design parameter, ladies and gentlemen, that's an important thing to understand when reading Annex I. A design

parameter is basically assumptions that engineers are going to make, in other words, information in, in order to figure out what the boiler is going to do. In other words, the heat and steam coming out, okay. So the design parameters I've outlined in this document are assumptions. They assume that the boilers are going to operate at 150 pressure, at 80 degrees Fahrenheit, at 1,000 feet above sea level elevation.

There are other parameters in this document, ladies and gentlemen. There are parameters, such as the drawing that you were shown earlier on the fourth page of the document.

Jeremy, if you could go to that drawing for me, please.

And the drawing is on page four, shows Keystone M-Series standard. Now, that's a slippery term that you didn't hear anything about a minute ago. Notice in the description of products, it says Keystone M-Series, didn't say anything about standard, it said Keystone M-Series. Don't let Indeck slide that by you. There is a difference, they want you to believe it's what's only identified right here, it can't vary in any way, shape or form.

You will hear extensive testimony it would have been impossible for Victory to sell even one boiler following this exact recipe, as they call it.

Now, these are design parameters, ladies and gentlemen. The thermal performance, in other words, what these boiler models can do, is based on the assumptions that you're

using a boiler at 80 degrees and at a thousand feet in altitude, with tangent tube walls. Does that mean you can only sell tangent tube walls, absolutely not.

It's like the baking instructions on the back of your cake recipe. If you're going to bake this, bake at 450 degrees for 20 minutes. But if you're in high altitude, you've got to lower the amount of flour, you got to increase the temperature. These are design parameters. They are not meant to be set in stone provisions that set the outer limits of the agreement. The evidence will show that, ladies and gentlemen.

There are other provisions of the agreement that's specifically identified. There are other provisions of the agreement that specifically identify that this agreement must have flexibility.

Victory Energy agreed to have a non-compete in this License Agreement. Why is that relevant in a non-compete. What the agreement says is Victory could only sell these products and nothing in competition with these products. So what that means is, if you take what Indeck is telling you, that Victory was only allowed to sell tangent tube boilers that nobody wanted, not only could it not sell under the license, but it couldn't go with any other product that might actually be successful. So it would have locked Victory Energy out of the marketplace for an entire three years. That can't be what the companies intended. That doesn't make any sense.

Now, ladies and gentlemen, the parties, there is a term that we use in the law called course of conduct. That is what did they do, what did they actually do under the License Agreement. That is very telling in this case. You will see that, you will hear that within days of the signing of the License Agreement, Victory sold three boilers to a company called Broin Industries. All three of those boilers, membrane wall construction.

What did Erie Power do, did they say hey, whoa, no you're only allowed to sell the tangent tube, you can't sell membrane wall boilers. Absolutely not. They said here are some other drawings that have membrane walls, here's how you design these boilers. Here are the steps that you need to take. And Victory Energy needed that information if it was going to follow the exact standards that were set forth by Erie Power. So they followed those directions, and with Erie Power's help, they built membrane wall boilers.

Also, you will hear evidence about the sales manual that was provided to Victory Energy. Within the first 70 days of the License Agreement, this sales manual was provided to Victory Energy. The sales manual, by the way, was drafted by Mark White, director of sales and marketing for Erie Power. He did it because under the License Agreement, they were supposed to help him with sales and marketing materials.

So Mark puts together, Mr. White puts together this

sales manual, specifically for Victory Energy. He pulled it together from six or seven other presentations, identifying specific features that Victory would need in order to market this boiler under the License Agreement.

And if you look at what the features are, at the top it says "Keystone M-Series. Furnace wall construction. Welded tube and membrane." So in the sales materials that were provided to Victory in the first 70 days of the license, they're saying yep, this it is membrane wall, folks, go and sell it. This is a good picture, use this in your sales and marketing materials. Jeremy, go to the next slide, please.

The next slide, outer walls, membrane. Furnace walls, membrane. This is the sales manual that was drafted for Victory Energy by Erie Power to sell these boilers. And then front wall, welded tube and membrane wall cooled burner throat.

You're going to hear testimony about this water cooled burner throat. That's just a fancy way of saying it had membrane walls on the front wall too, okay.

So this evidence is very clear. Erie Power, if they really believed it didn't include membrane walls, why are they providing all of this information to Victory in order to go and sell these boilers. Look at what they did, not what they're trying to tell you today on the stand.

When you hear these engineers on the stand, look at what they did then, they helped build these boilers, they

provided the sales materials.

Victory Energy also received sales brochures. If you go on to the next one, please, Jeremy. This is the sales brochure that was provided to Victory Energy. And Victory Energy, I'm sorry, Erie Power's director of sales and marketing, Mark White, said here's some brochures. He gave them to you when they came to Erie for training. He said here's some brochures, you should use these brochures in order to sell these Keystone boilers. The brochures, by the way, have the same features. Membrane walls and water cold burner throats. All the same features that they're telling you today Victory was not authorized to use.

You will hear testimony that Erie Power's engineers always believed that the agreement was only for tangent tube. And that several times they had this discussion internally with Erie Power. What you will not hear anyone from Erie Power tell you that Victory Energy was told they violated the agreement, they were not authorized to do it any more, stop. It didn't happen. Despite that letter that you saw from Mr. Gdaniec for March 26th. You will hear exactly why that letter was sent, the true motive behind that letter. Erie Power was trying to sell the technology, when Victory said sure, we'll buy the Keystone boiler line. That's when they did the bait and switch and said oh, wait a minute, no, we'll sell you the tangent tube. Victory Energy said the tangent tube, why would we want

to buy that, we're selling membrane wall boilers, nobody wants tangent tube boilers.

And it was in the course of that where this letter generated saying hey, you're outside the scope of the license. Victory wrote back and said no, we're authorized to sell these boilers, that's what we've been selling.

What did Erie Power do that after. What did they do after they got that letter or after they received the letter back from Mark White. They continued to help Victory build membrane wall boilers.

Look at what they did, not what they say, okay.

They helped Victory for the entire time that Erie Power was the licensor, the entire 18-month period they helped them build membrane wall boilers.

Now, another important theme for you, ladies and gentlemen, is to follow the money. During the time of the License Agreement, when Erie Power was the licensor. Erie Power not only helped them engineer these boilers, but when they received notice of sales, they invoiced Victory Energy for the royalties that they were entitled to. And they received checks back from Victory Energy for all the boilers that were sold during the time that Erie Power was the licensor. And they cashed those checks. In fact, after Indeck became the licensor, they continued to issue invoices and cashed checks.

Follow to the money, ladies and gentlemen. Don't

listen to what they're trying to tell you today. If their actions before clearly show what their true understanding and intent was. They knew these included membrane walls. Why else would they have helped build them, why else would they have helped sell them and why else would they have cashed the checks.

You will also hear that this running theme from

Indeck that there was a separate authorization, there was an

understanding that well, we just let them do it on a one at a

time basis because we needed the money. Well, the agreement is

clear, you don't get to do that. If you want to change the

agreement, if you want to give somebody a right, other than

what's set forth in the agreement, you have to do it in

writing.

There's no writing that ever shows that Erie Power's authorization, their help, their approval, their assistance, with Victory Energy building these boilers was done outside the license. And if there is no separate agreement, what does that mean, it was clearly inside the license.

As you heard, Erie Power went into bankruptcy and ultimately out of business. In August of 2004, Erie Power sold its assets to CMI EPTI. The entered into an asset purchase agreement. And under, as part of the bankruptcy, they filed that document with the bankruptcy court. The top was unfortunately highlighted, so it's a little difficult to read,

but I'll show you a better copy of the same sentence from another document in a minute.

The top sentence, Erie Power's representation to the people buying the Keystone boiler business, CMI. The representation from Erie Power "to seller's knowledge, no third party is infringing or using or has misappropriated any of the intellectual property rights." So Erie Power is telling the buyer we don't know of anybody that's misappropriated our technology. Nobody.

And then the second one, "no license or royalty agreement to which seller is a party is in breach or default by any party thereto or the subject of any notice of termination." Stephen Kang, president of Erie Power, signed this. He will indicate, you'll hear his testimony by videotape. He specifically said yes, that was my understanding. I didn't know of any breaches of any License Agreement, I could not conclude that Victory Energy ever breached the License Agreement.

That's a representation that was made specifically to CMI EPTI. And as I showed you on the chart, two weeks later, less than two weeks later, CMI turned around and sold Keystone assets to Indeck Keystone Energy. And Indeck Keystone Energy was specifically told by CMI in the asset purchase agreement, "to seller's knowledge the intellectual property rights do not infringe on or conflict with the rights of the

intellectual properties of third parties, and seller has not received" --

THE COURT: Way too fast, start that all over again.

MR. SHEEAN: Sorry, judge. "To seller's knowledge,
the intellectual property rights do not -- I'm sorry, Jeremy,
you need to highlight C and not B. It's the same sentence in
an the earlier agreement, ladies and gentlemen. "To seller's
knowledge, no third party is infringing or has misappropriated
any of the intellectual property rights. No license or royalty
agreement to which seller is a party is in breach or default by
any party thereto."

Indeck bought the assets, the Keystone assets, based on these representations on September 8, 2004. Less than two months later they filed this lawsuit. What does that tell you. Indeck wasn't interested in trying to work out a good relationship with its licensee. It wanted to use whatever means possible, competitive revenge, ladies and gentlemen, they wanted to stop Victory from competing fairly in the marketplace.

Since IKE has filed this lawsuit, and IKE is a shorthand term for Indeck Keystone Energy, since IKE has filed this lawsuit, it invoiced Victory Energy over eight times for four of the boilers sold. They received checks for those boilers and it cashed those checks. Follow the money, ladies and gentlemen.

Now, the License Agreement had an initial term of three years. And either party could choose not to renew. Once Indeck became the licensor, sent a threatening letter and then filed a lawsuit, it became fairly clear to Victory Energy that Victory was going to have to find a new means if it wanted to continue to sell watertube boilers. It would have to come up with its own design.

Victory Energy began that process in the fall of 2004. There's no prohibition on Victory doing that. Victory is not precluded from developing its own line of boilers while selling Keystone. Despite any claim or any implication otherwise.

And Victory Energy expended thousands of hours and hundreds of thousands of dollars in developing the Voyager line. You'll hear testimony from Mark White about the various extensive activities that Victory had to undertake in order to develop this Voyager boiler.

Victory hired consultants in order to design the base of the boiler. The base of the boiler, by the way, they will admit, is completely different from the Keystone. They hired a separate consultant to design the software program so that Victory could rate these boilers. What does that mean when you say rate the boilers. You have to use software, the software is the shorthand calculation for the engineering that has to be done to determine how much steam the boiler is going

to make, how much heat it's going to produce. So that it will operate efficiently and safely to the customer's specification.

So Victory spent an extensive amount of money on the software. And it paid another outside engineer to run circulation studies of the boilers, so it would know if the boilers were operating efficiently. Why is that important. Well, if as Indeck claims, Victory stole these designs, why is it spending all this money on designing its own boiler. And if Victory stole these designs or copied them inappropriately, why is it that the boilers are different.

You heard from Indeck's own lawyer. These boilers have signicant differences, ladies and gentlemen, as to how they operate. There are significant differences. And the similarities between the boilers are similarities with all of O-style watertube boilers out there.

You heard already a little bit about public domain and what's available in the public domain. You heard the judge give you an instruction on what public domain means. It's just a fancy term for what can be found publicly by you or I if we do a little bit of homework.

If something is in the public domain, ladies and gentlemen, it is not a secret. And if it's not a secret, it can't be copied and it can't be stealing. The products we are talking about have been around a long time. O-style boilers have been sold for over 50 years. And literally thousands have

been sold in the U.S. during this time, for anyone to see, anyone to inspect and anyone to take apart. There are a lot of O-style watertube package boilers out there.

I'm just going to show a couple from their Web sites. This is a Thermal boiler, it's an O-style boiler. This is the Tomlinson boiler, another O-style boiler, from Australia. This is Nebraska, this is a brochure for their A-boiler. But Nebraska, you will see, has extensive designs available on their O-style watertube package boiler on their Web site and in their brochures.

And then finally there's a company -- well this is
Aalborg Industries. But there's another company in Denmark,
Aalborg Engineering. That was a licensee for Zurn back in the
'80s. And Aalborg Engineering still sells an O-style watertube
package boiler today. Even though they're not a licensee
anymore. Has Indeck sued them. No.

Now, there are even more companies out there that sell boilers with membrane walls. Membrane walls, ladies and gentlemen, are not a secret, they've been around for over 50 years. These companies, just to name a few, Victory Energy, Rantack Boiler, Babcock and Wilcox. Foster Wheeler, Thermal Boiler. Nebreska Boiler. Makkay. There's Aalborg Engineering, the Danish company I was telling you about. Johnson Boiler. Cerray. English Boiler and Tube. And Combustion Engineering.

Membrane wall technology, ladies and gentlemen, is not a secret. If both companies make boilers with two-inch tubes that are four-inches apart, that is not a secret. There are a lot of other companies out there that do that.

Now, there are literally thousands of package boilers out there that are used and scraped. It is very easy for boiler manufacturers to look at what their competitors have done. They can go to scrap yards and reconditioning yards or they can do it themselves. Look at how the boiler is laid out specifically.

This is an old Nebraska O-style watertube package boiler that was in the refurbishing process at a company in Texas. These photos show that the bottom of the boiler, this is the mud drum that you heard about. Here's the tubes coming out of the mud run. There's the furnance wall right there on the inside. If you can go and look at these boilers, take them apart and see them like that, it's not a secret.

In fact, what that's called, ladies and gentlemen, is reverse engineering. Reverse engineering is good for competition. Reverse engineering, if there's not a patent that covers the technology, if there's not a copyright that covers it and you can take it apart and see it, it's not protectable, it's not a secret. It's not long. It's good for competition, it's something that companies have been doing here in the United States and abroad for hundreds of years.

Through a review of what's available publicly, a boiler manufacture can learn many, if not all of the boilers, of the competitor's boiler's features. For instance, one of the design features of the Keystone boiler that you heard about, and this is on an old Zurn brochure, is the water cooled throat. Jeremy, can you go to that page.

Within this brochure -- when Jeremy gets to it, you'll see a photograph of the water cooled burner throat on the Keystone O-style watertube boiler. Again, this brochure has been around for over 15 years. I'll show you a photograph like that later.

But the point is companies show in their own brochures, in their own advertising materials, specifically the design features that Indeck wants to claim it can throw a rope around it because it was a design of a licensed product at one time and say nope, that's ours, you can't have it. Well, ladies and gentlemen, that's bad for competition. They don't have a patent, they can't throw a rope around it and tell other companies they can't use it. That's not what the law is.

It's your job as the jury to sit here and recognize and to weigh the evidence that if it's not a secret, it's what we can see, it's not bad, it's not copying. And Indeck will fail ultimately to be able to show that there are any trade secrets here.

You can see from this photograph from the Zurn

boiler that water cooled burner throat. You can see the scale of the boiler with these two gentlemen standing in front of it. If this is such a high tech secret, why are they putting it inside their own brochures. I think the brochure speaks for itself, ladies and gentlemen, it's not a secret.

So Indeck's claims since they don't have patent or copyright claims, they all boil down to essentially trade secret claims. What is a trade secret. Well, the most famous trade secret you hear of is the formula for Coca-Cola. Okay, the formula for Coca-Cola is closely guarded. It is in a vault down in Atlanta. You can't have access to the recipe for Coca-Cola. They sure don't put it in their advertising brochures.

That's a trade secret, that's not what we're talking about here, ladies and gentlemen. If they can be reversed engineered, if it's out there in the public domain, if other companies are doing it, it cannot be a trade secret.

Now, one of the things you heard me mention a minute ago was the use of two-inch tubes four-inches apart. You're going to hear from Indeck's expert that this design feature was copied by Victory Energy, two-inch tubes four-inches apart. And if you look at this brochure from Babock and Wilcox of its FM package boiler, specifically, here are two-inch tubes on four-inch centers of their membrane wall for their D-style boiler. Babcock and Wilcox has been doing this for a number of

years. Indeck hasn't sued them.

And then in the specification on the Nebraska Web site, there is a specific reference on what they use. It says "membrane design will consist two-inch outer dimension tubes on four-inch center lines, with membrane fins between the tubes." So Nebraska boiler is allowed to use it, but apparently Victory is not. Why, beats me, ladies and gentlemen. It's not a secret.

The design features of the Keystone boiler are capable of reverse engineering. As I told you, these Keystones have been out there for over 50 years, 3,000 of them, it's not a secret.

Plaintiff's own manager of field services, Mr.

Martin Swabb, will get up and testify later today. He will tell you that in his opinion there is not a single feature of the Keystone boiler that cannot be reversed engineered. Their own manager of field services will testify to that. And why, because it isn't a secret.

Now, they point to, Indeck points to its drawings and says that's where the secret is, ladies and gentlemen, it's drawings. Well, the drawings that they're talking about are given out to customers as a matter of course. When you buy a boiler, you get a set of drawings with your boiler.

Mr. Robert Gdaniec will get up and testify that when he was the director of engineering at Erie Power, they would

have sent these drawings out to customers. Mr. Martin Swabb will tell you the same thing. These drawings are given out as a matter of ordinary course in selling these boilers.

Now, this is the front cover of the operations and maintenance manual from Aalborg Industries. Remember when I showed you a minute ago -- Aalborg Industries used to make the Keystone boiler. And Victory bought two of these boilers two years before the License Agreement. So they knew what Keystone boilers were. And they knew what they were getting. These boilers are membrane wall boilers, ladies and gentlemen.

And what Victory got with the boilers were these drawings, identified on the second page, welded front wall assembly. Welded rear wall assembly. Welded outer wall assembly. Welded furnace wall assembly.

Victory Energy got these drawings with the boilers as a customer, ladies and gentlemen. They weren't a licensee. They were just buying these boilers, and they got these drawings that Indeck wants to tell you now are closely held trade secrets. If they're giving them out to customers, they're not trade secrets. Well, they'll try and tell you no, but we tell our customers they're subject to a confidentiality agreement.

Not in this case, ladies and gentlemen. Victory

Energy had its own terms and conditions, which took precedence

over all the other terms and conditions of the sale. Go to the

next slide, please, Jeremy.

Victory's terms and conditions, it specifically provides that when Victory bought these boilers, it wasn't just buying the boilers, it was entitled to -- if you look at paragraph 11 of Victory Energy's terms and conditions -- Victory Energy was entitled to a full unrestricted ownership of all right to use all technical information provided to Victory Energy under this purchase order, shall be transferred to Victory Energy. Victory Energy received the drawings and Aalborg Industries agreed under these terms that the drawings were Victory's.

So the drawings that Indeck is going to tell you were copied or stolen, they gave them out to Victory two years before the license. How could they be copied or stolen.

Ladies and gentlemen, Indeck doesn't have any trade secrets that Victory Energy used on the Voyager.

Now, they showed you some drawings. They showed you some bright and colored features on those drawings. As I told you before, there is nothing wrong with copying if it isn't a secret.

As I also told you, there are significant differences in the Voyager. The tubes are different, the model sizes are different. The drum layouts are different. The similarities of the boilers are driven by the fact that they're both O-style boilers. They both have a drum on top and a drum

on the bottom.

2.2

And that the sizes of these boilers are frequently dictated by shipping restrictions. You can only put a boiler so wide on a truck and so long. You can only put a boiler so wide and so tall on a rail car. So a lot of the boiler restrictions that they're going to point to as copied or substantially similar, are governed by what the transportation department tells you you can put on a truck. That's not a trade secret.

Now, Victory developed the Voyager boiler as a better mousetrap. It's designed specifically to meet the needs of the ethanol fuel market. You'll hear John Viskup tell you, and Mark White, that they designed the Voyager specifically to meet the needs of that market. Boilers are meant to run at a space rate, for a length of 365 days a year, and they're built to be cost competitive. That's different from the Keystone.

Keystone's were designed back 40 years ago and they don't have a lot of the same upgrades and a lot of the same improvements that the Voyager now has. So how can you say that they're copied if you admit that they're different. You're going to have to figure that one out, ladies and gentlemen, because I don't think it makes sense.

Now, what do they say was copied on those drawings.

If you look at the drawings themselves, and they say this was copied, first of all, Victory had full right and title and

ownership to those drawings.

Second of all, the things that they point you to, if you read them, are common sense, and they're out in the public domain. The first note says clean tubes before welding. Is Indeck claiming that cleaning the tubes before welding is a trade secret. Is that something that not every welder knows how to do.

The second note says set and align tubes. Well, I guess their right, the tubes aren't going to stand up and set and level themselves on their own.

The third note that they pointed to was a welding guideline. As I told you earlier, the American Welding Society sets forth specific standards for welders to use when they're welding boilers, and they provide those symbols that you're supposed to use. So Indeck can't claim that symbols dictated by the American Welding Society and the welds mandated by the ASME code are trade secrets.

Finally, ladies and gentlemen, the one I already mentioned to you, the use of two-inch tubes four-inches apart. I don't know how this could be a trade secret, ladies and gentlemen. If I can walk up to this wall, put my ruler on the center line of this tube, go over to the next tube, and see that it's exactly four inches, that cannot be a trade secret, ladies and gentlemen. And my five-year-old can come up and do that, so this can't be a trade secret. And as I showed you

before, there are many other companies out there doing it already.

Now, you haven't heard me talk about unfair competition at any point. This is because the only company that has competed unfairly here is Indeck. We have counterclaims in this case specifically addressing and concerning the conduct of Indeck as it relates to Victory Energy in the marketplace.

When Indeck became the licensor, Chris Petcos, the general manager of Indeck, met with Victory Energy's sales representatives. He specifically said if you want to represent our products, you can't represent Victory Energy. And, by the way, Victory Energy, they're only allowed to sell the tangent tube boilers with the refractory front wall. The boilers I told you already that nobody wants. So using that statement, that misstatement of what the contract says, Mr. Petcos convinced some of Victory Energy's sales reps to dump Victory and go with Indeck. Victory Energy lost sales as a result of that.

Moreover, it damaged the reputation of Victory

Energy to its reps and to customers in the industry. Just

before Indeck purchased the assets of the Keystone boiler, an

Indeck representative went to the University of Notre Dame.

Victory Energy had been trying to sell a boiler to the

University of Notre Dame, was on the short list to sell that

boiler. The Indeck rep went to Notre Dame, and told Notre Dame that if we buy these assets, Victory Energy will not be allowed to perform under the contract, we're not going to let them build the boiler and they don't have the engineering on their own to do it. Victory Energy, their reputation and their ability to compete fairly in the marketplace was injured as a result of that statement.

And then just last October, Victory Energy, it was down to two companies, Victory Energy and another company, to sell 10 boilers for ethanol plants to a company called MECS, in St. Louis. Again, Mr. Petcos picked up the phone when he found out they've been bounced off the list, and said is Victory one of the companies, well, you should know Victory Energy, we're in a lawsuit with them. We think that they've stolen our technology. If you buy these boilers, they may not be able to deliver on those boilers. That injured Victory Energy's reputation.

You're going to hear the testimony of Caspar

Kovarick who will say yeah, I'm leery, I don't want to do

business with a company that's getting sued over technology.

Those kind of statements are exactly the evidence you will hear

that shows Indeck is the company that's been competing

unfairly. Indeck is the company that does not want to compete

with Victory on a fair and level playing field.

Ladies and gentlemen, you will hear a lot of

testimony and be shown a lot of information over the next few days. We ask that you to look at the parties' intent. What did they mean, what were their goals and motives. The motive you will see for IKE is competitive revenge.

You will hear Indeck's witnesses, remember to follow the money. What did they do. They took the royalties. Follow the money, ladies and gentlemen.

When they're tying to tell you something else, look at what they did. Erie Power needed cash and the only type of boiler that Victory Energy would be able to sell were the membrane wall boilers. Follow what they did, not what they're telling you today.

Indeck is attempting to protect something that cannot be protected, ladies and gentlemen. A product that's been on the market for many, many years. We are not talking about the secret to Coca-Cola. We're not talking about the recipe to Kentucky Fried Chicken.

I can take a boiler apart, not me, a competent boiler manufacturer could take this boiler apart and figure out how it works and make another one. That's good for competition, ladies and gentleman, it's not wrong, and it's not copying. And it's not unfair competition or misappropriation of a trade secret. Don't be fooled by what they call copying of similar instructions or welding symbols. These designs are out there for anyone to see.

Listen to the evidence, we believe at the end of
this trial you will return a verdict in our favor. Thank you,
very much.

THE COURT: Who is your first witness?

MR. GISLESON: Our first witness is Martin Swabb.

THE COURT: Come up, sir, I'm going to swear you in.

MARTIN SWABB, PLAINTIFF'S WITNESS, SWORN

DIRECT EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. GISLESON:

4

5

6

7

8

- 10 Q. Would you state your name, please?
- 11 A. Martin Swabb.
- 12 Q. Mr. Swabb, how are you employed?
- 13 A. I'm the field service manager for Indeck Keystone Energy.
- 14 | Q. Before going into that, could you describe for the jury,
- 15 | please, what your educational background is?
- 16 A. I'm a graduate of Gannon College --
- 17 | THE COURT: Mr. Swabb, would you be so kind to pull
- 18 | in just a little bit or pull that out, either way whatever
- 19 | works easier.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Okay. Graduate of Gannon College here
- 21 | in town, went to night school for 11 years to get my B.S. in
- 22 | mechanical engineering.
- 23 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 24 | Q. How did you get involved in the boiler business?
- 25 | A. I'm second generation. My dad started with Erie City

- 1 | Iron Works right after World War II. He was an inspiration for
- 2 | me to stay in the business, so to speak. So I started right
- 3 after high school, I graduated on a Friday and started with
- 4 | Erie City Iron Works on a Monday the following week at the age
- 5 of 18.
- 6 Q. What was it about the boiler business that interested
- 7 | you?
- 8 A. I was fascinated, it involves every type of engineering
- 9 | that's available. Chemical engineering, electrical
- 10 engineering, structural, thermal design, I was just fascinated
- 11 | with it. We toured Front Street station here in Erie when I
- 12 | was 11-years-old. I was amazed that something was burning
- 13 | rock, I thought was burning stone, was actually burning coal.
- 14 And that tour on that Sunday with my dad, and that look in his
- 15 | eye saying he was so proud of what he did, because two of the
- 16 | boilers down there were Erie City Iron Works boilers. So when
- 17 | we got done, I said dad, I'm going to be a boiler man. Seven
- 18 | years later I was. Still am at 40 years later.
- 19 Q. What was the position that you had with Erie City Iron
- 20 | Works when you joined?
- 21 | A. When I started, I was a rookie draftsman fresh out of
- 22 | high school. In my senior year of drafting, Mrs. Dombrowski
- 23 | was my teacher, okay, I can put a drawing pretty good, at least
- 24 | enough to get in here. It was nice being second generation, my
- 25 | dad got me the chance to get in. I interviewed and said hey, I

- want to start in, I started as a rookie draftsman, I started at the bottom.
- Q. You were talking about being a rookie draftsman, what does it mean to be a draftsman?
- A. A draftsman in those days was all manual drafting. A pencil in hand and your instruments, you drew on paper. Not today with all the computers, which is kind of nifty.

THE COURT: You're going to have to slow down just a little bit for my court reporter. He's one of the fastest you're ever going to find, but he's not that fast. Slow down a little.

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. In the old days it was actually slower, maybe not slower, but we drew on paper. We didn't draw with electrons. So that is how I started. We had a drafting machine, a drafting board, our pencils and erasers, so forth and that's how we did our drawings. And you learned as a rookie draftsman you're under the tutelage of senior people and checkers that teach you as you go. Including it was nice to have my dad guide me on a few items as well, because he was a design drafter, which was a lot more advanced than I was at the age of 18.

22 BY MR. GISLESON:

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

- 23 Q. When you mentioned checkers, what do checkers do?
- A. The drafter makes the drawing, but it's not done until somebody looks over it to make sure he has it done right. You

put a drawing out in the shop, get it out there and find out that oops, and when it's made of steel, it's an an expensive oops. When it's just pencil and paper, you can use your eraser to cure the your oops real quick. The checker checks your drawing to make sure you haven't made any errors, either in the design or in the interpretation of the design. Or in the dimensioning, so that you aren't going to have a problem in the shop or in the field with. So the checker checks it, gives it back to you, you make the corrections because it's also a method of teaching, to make sure that you learn from your mistakes so you don't make the mistake the next time.

- Q. Sir, can you describe for the jury, please, what the background is on Erie City Iron Works; when it was founded, moving forward?
- A. Well, Erie City Iron Works in 1840 started out as Presque Isle Iron Works. And Presque Isle Iron Works made some farm implements and so forth. However, when the City of Erie became a city about 1850, '51, in honor of that, Presque Isle Iron Works changed its name to the Erie City Iron Works. Erie City Iron Works at that time had moved from just doing farm implements and cast iron pieces for farming and machinery, they started getting into boilers, a fire tube type of boiler. I'll explain that later on. But they got into boilers and steam engines because we followed the industrial revolution and now steam was king, that was the primary mover. And the primary

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

way of conveying chemical energy in the form of coal mostly at that time, some oil and wood, of course. Making steam, the steam would drive the steam engine, the steam engine would do all kinds of things. From cutting lumber, to pumping a well, to many things that were required at that time. We moved up, it stayed as Erie City Iron Works all the way until, actually it was like 1965, when Zurn Industries, who was also a local industry, said well, we know you guys from before, we were doing castings, piping and different valves that Erie City Iron Erie City Iron Works at this time was so Works used to do. busy making steam engines and boilers, one of which is the one at Drake's well, by the way, that's our boiler. As a matter of fact the reproduction is our boiler, too. That business, the oil industry in Pennsylvania started to pick up. The whole energy industry with boilers and steam driven equipment was picking up. So we said Zurn, how about you taking over this product line and make the valves and so forth like that. said fine. Well, back in 1965, like I said, that relationship goes back to 1900, around 1965 Zurn wanted to get bigger. decided to make us their first acquisition because they knew Their families were somewhat intertwined with the families that owned Erie City Iron Works at that time. And we were their first acquisition. But in 1969 they changed the name from Erie City Iron Works to Erie City Energy Division. And finally they said let's just call it Zurn Energy Division.

- 1 It's too hard for the people answering the phone to go with
- 2 | that long name. So we were Zurn Energy Division until 1997.
- 3 | I came on board in '67, so I have some history along with it in
- 4 | a number of different names. In 1997 Aalborg -- Zurn was
- 5 looking to sell the energy business, they approached Aalborg.
- 6 Aalborg knew us. Aalborg was one of our licensees back in the
- 7 | late '70's, I was over in Denmark, Aalborg helped them at one
- 8 | time as well, as a representative. So Aalborg knew us. They
- 9 | said we know the company, we know the product line, so they
- 10 | bought us, lock, stock and barrel. And from 1997 to 2002 we
- 11 | were Aalborg Keystone. Then Aalborg Industries period. That
- 12 | way all the Aalborg companies had the same name. And then in
- 13 | 2002 they sold us, and we became Erie Power Technologies, Inc.
- 14 | EPTI as you saw on the chart. A couple years later on, in
- 15 | 2004, we became Indeck Keystone Energy, LLC. And that was a
- 16 | good relationship because Indeck used to buy a lot of our
- 17 | boilers as Keystones as a matter of fact.
- 18 | Q. Let me stop you right there, Mr. Swabb, can you put up
- 19 | the demonstrative showing the time line, please?
- 20 A. There you go.
- 21 | Q. Does this basically lay out the chronology of the
- 22 | predecessor companies to Indeck Keystone?
- 23 A. Yes, '40, '51, Erie City Iron Works. '66, Zurn
- 24 | Industries. '97, 2002, 2004, up to the present.
- 25 | Q. Could you please describe for the jury, I know you said

- 1 you started as a rookie draftsman, then kind of working your way forward, what the different positions were that you held 2
- From a rookie draftsman, I worked my way up through a 4 5 design drafter, to achieve the level that my dad did and of 6 course he had retired by just about that time that I had, it 7 was kind of passing the baton. So after that I became manager
- 9 Ο. What does standards mean?

of standards and special projects --

leading up to today?

3

8

22

23

Standards were like the M-Series. We have standard 10 11 drawings so that there were shop drawings, assembly drawings and everything associated with the standard products line. One 12 that we had developed and evolved over the years. So you're 13 14 not redoing drawings all the time. It takes a while on the 15 drafting board to make all these drawings, you're making them 16 all manually. So once you arrive at a set of drawings that 17 reflects the experience and the success of that product, you don't want to have to change those all the time. So I managed 18 those standards, we made sure they were organized, that they 19 20 were out to the shop, etc. That the drawings were in good 21 The drawings lists were kept up, so as those products that were sold, it was really easy to say well, the drawings actually sat even in the shop, prints of these drawings, we 24 didn't have to order prints from the printing machines. All of 25 this was intended to save time --

- MR. SHEEAN: We're going to object, this is a narrative. There's no question.
- THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. The idea of the standards
 was to cut down time.
- THE COURT: Hang on a second. Let's try to get back into some kind of question and answer.
- 7 MR. GISLESON: Yes, your Honor.
- 8 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 9 Q. Mr. Swabb, what did you do after you were manager of standards, we can get back into standard drawings after a
- 11 | while?
- 12 A. After manager of standards, I was manager of components.
- 13 And that was for not only standards of boilers, but all the
- 14 | boilers. We made the pressure parts, the tubes, the drums, all
- 15 | the components that were the central part of the boiler. That
- 16 part of the boiler. There were other parts, the burners, the
- 17 | electrical portion and so forth, that was outside of my realm.
- 18 | So I had the main part of the boiler, the structures, the
- 19 | pressure parts for all boilers, Keystone, as well as any other
- 20 | products we did.
- 21 | Q. How long were you the manager of components,
- 22 | approximately?
- 23 A. I think about four years. Again, in 40 years it's kind
- 24 of hard to get these little gaps right.
- 25 Q. In which decades?

- 1 A. That was back in the '70s.
- Q. And when you're talking about a pressure part, what do
- 3 you mean by pressure parts?
- 4 A. That's the part of the boiler, the drums and the tubes
- 5 | that hold the water and steam inside. That's under that kind
- 6 of pressure, 100 pounds and so forth on up. That's pressure
- 7 | parts. The structures are the part that holds it up.
- 8 Q. When did you do after you were the manager of components?
- 9 A. After manager of components, because I knew the product
- 10 | line so well, I went also into a year in sales to do more
- 11 | interaction with the customers directly. And to work to sell
- 12 | some of these products as well. Then I went from sales into
- 13 | manager of design and projects. That way I was over the
- 14 | engineering department, the guys that did the designs, the guys
- 15 | that managed the projects. As we got an order, it goes to the
- 16 | project manager, his group would take care of that. Then as we
- 17 | grew, we were getting busier and busier, that was just too much
- 18 | for one man, so I took over the projects and another fellow
- 19 | took over the design engineering. I managed the projects up to
- 20 | 1990.
- 21 Q. Let me stop you there real quick. When you say you're
- 22 | managing projects, what kind of projects?
- 23 | A. Projects are orders that have been sold. It's the
- 24 | boiler, all the pertinences, taking care of the client, taking
- 25 | care of submittals to the clients and making sure the parts are

- ordered. It's managing the projects from the sales to the
- 2 delivery. That's part of project management portion of the
- 3 project.
- 4 | Q. After that point in time when you were manager of design
- 5 | projects, what did do you?
- 6 A. Actually, after manager of project management, which came
- 7 | after the design of projects, and this is in 1990, I became
- 8 | field service manager. That's the position I've held since
- 9 then.
- 10 Q. What do you do as field service manager?
- 11 A. As field service manager, we start the product, we
- 12 | commission it, as the term that's used, we start up the units,
- 13 | we troubleshoot the units, if the clients have a problem we
- 14 help them. We service older units, rather large installed
- 15 | boiler base. So the clients will call in, they'll say I need a
- 16 | quy here to do a tuneup on it. The boilers are big enough that
- 17 | you don't drive them into the dealership and service it, you've
- 18 got to go out to the boilers. So the guys that go out in the
- 19 | field are under my direction and scheduling and selection, they
- 20 | go to the client and take care of whatever has to be taken care
- 21 of on the boiler and help guide the client to make sure he can
- 22 operate the boiler properly, safely and efficiently.
- 23 | Q. Now, leading up to the time that Indeck Keystone was
- 24 | formed, what were the different products in which you were
- 25

involved?

- 1 A. Package boilers, heat recovery boilers. Two drum type
- 2 units. Two drum type units are units that use solid fuels,
- 3 | that burn coal or wood. Every product line that we build,
- 4 process steam drums, everything that we build.
- 5 Q. Now, over the time period leading up to Indeck being
- 6 | formed, did you have any involvement with Keystone boilers?
- 7 A. Yes, from day one, from 1967 on, I started working on
- 8 | Keystones, it was the first drawings that I made in '67.
- 9 Q. Can you describe for the jury the different areas in
- 10 | which you've involved with Keystone boilers?
- 11 | A. Oh, from making just detailed drawings for a specific
- 12 order, special unit. To actually doing the designs for the
- 13 | units and developing the upgrades to the boilers. Working with
- 14 | the shop to make sure that the upgrades we were going to do
- 15 | would go through the system in the shop. That the fellows
- 16 | could make it in the shop safely and easily. And also to have
- 17 | a product that continues to be competitive.
- 18 | Q. In terms of being field service manager, did you ever get
- 19 | involved with servicing Keystone boilers?
- 20 | A. Oh, yes, all the time, daily. Because we have so many
- 21 | out there. There's over 2,000 out there, probably 60 percent
- 22 | are still operating today.
- 23 | Q. Can you give the jury some idea as to how old some of the
- 24 | boilers are that are currently being served by you as field
- 25 | service manager for Indeck?

- 1 A. As a matter of fact in Ohio, I'll probably have a guy
- 2 going next week or the week after, depending on our schedule,
- 3 | to service a boiler that's 1957 vintage. That was 10 years
- 4 | before I came on board, so it's still working.
- 5 Q. Were you the only engineer who worked at Erie City Iron
- 6 Works, Zurn or Aalborg or the other companies?
- 7 A. With IKE?
- 8 | Q. No, prior to IKE, Indeck Keystone, were you the only
- 9 | engineer who was working at Erie City Iron Works or any of its
- 10 | successor companies?
- 11 A. No, there's quite a few engineers, it's an engineering
- 12 intensive type product. Most of the products, even though we
- 13 | talk about standards, most of them are custom units, are custom
- 14 designed for a specific client and his application.
- 15 | Q. Every once in a while I'm having a little bit of
- 16 difficulty hearing, so if you would do me a favor and speak a
- 17 | little bit more slowly, I'd I appreciate it.
- 18 A. Sorry.
- 19 | Q. Can you identify some of the engineers with whom you
- 20 | worked on Keystone projects?
- 21 | A. One of the key engineers I worked with in much of the
- 22 | development is Bob Seibel. He was my boss and my mentor as
- 23 | well.
- 24 Q. What position did Mr. Seibel hold?
- 25 | A. Chief engineer at that time.

- 1 Q. Can you identify any other engineers with whom you worked
- 2 pertaining to the Keystone?
- 3 A. Oh, Dave Briggs. Well, he's not an engineer, he's one of
- 4 | the drafters, he and I worked very closely from the component
- 5 days continuing to today.
- 6 Q. Let me stop you there real quick. How was it that you
- 7 | and Mr. Briggs as a drafter worked closely?
- 8 A. He worked for me in components. Many times I would check
- 9 his drawings.
- 10 | Q. Sir, can you identify any other engineers involved with
- 11 | the development or otherwise with the Keystone?
- 12 A. Going back, there's so many, my dad worked on the
- 13 | Keystones with me as well as one of the drafters. Frank Vonna,
- 14 | some of the fellows are over the years have now been retired.
- 15 | Q. The jury heard during opening statements the name Bob
- 16 | Gdaniec?
- 17 | A. I'm sorry, Bob Gdaniec as well. He's not working with us
- 18 | now.
- 19 THE COURT: Sir, you remind me of that racehorse who
- 20 | just won the Kentucky Derby. You've got to really slow down,
- 21 | make an effort to do that.
- 22 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Bob Gdaniec, he's with CMI
- 23 at this time.
- 24 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 25 Q. What's CMI?

- 1 A. CMI is, we worked part of the same company, Erie Power
- 2 | Technologies, when the bankruptcy settlement was closed, CMI
- 3 | took the heat recovery steam generators, Erie Power
- 4 Technologies took the rest of the product line. Bob stayed
- 5 | with CMI, I stayed with Erie Power.
- 6 Q. Now, in terms of Indeck Keystone Energy, what's the
- 7 | business of Indeck Keystone Energy?
- 8 A. Indeck Keystone Energy designs, markets boilers.
- 9 | O. What kind of boilers?
- 10 A. All types of boilers. Package boilers. Coal-fired
- 11 | boilers. Keystone boilers. Smaller HRSG boilers.
- 12 | Q. Now, when you're talking about a package boiler, what
- 13 | does that mean?
- 14 A. A package boiler means that it's essentially a complete
- 15 | unit, that you can install it, everything is pretty much on it.
- 16 | All you have to do is hook the utilities to it. The
- 17 | electricity, the water, the fuel. That's the idea of a package
- 18 | boiler, it minimizes set up in the field and tries to have very
- 19 | little construction going on in the field, that takes a lot of
- 20 | time.
- 21 | Q. Is the Keystone boiler a package boiler?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- 23 | Q. You also mentioned HRSGs, what are HRSGs?
- 24 | A. Heat recovery steam generators. That's such a long name,
- 25 | that's why we call them HRSGs. In other words, it doesn't have

- 1 | a burner per se. It takes a heat source that's an exhaust,
- 2 from a combustion turbine, from a diesel engine, it takes the
- 3 | heat from that exhaust, absorbs that heat in tubes, it's a
- 4 | watertube type boiler. Generates steam, cools the exhaust.
- 5 | That steam is then used for either process or generating more
- 6 | electricity in a steam turbine generator.
- 7 Q. Where does the heat come from?
- 8 A. From the combustion process in the turbine or in the
- 9 diesel engine.
- 10 Q. How does that compare to the Keystone boiler?
- 11 | A. Well, actually, you can use a Keystone as a waste heat as
- 12 | well.
- 13 | O. What is the difference?
- 14 A. Most of the time the waste heats we work with, although
- 15 | not always, have actually fins on the tubes. Not bare tubes,
- 16 like a Keystone, they have a spiral on fit, kind of looks like
- 17 | a radiator in your car, it has all kinds of fins on it. It's a
- 18 | way of extending the surface. Instead of just a bare tube,
- 19 | which only has so much surface, you adds all kinds of fins on
- 20 | it, that extends the surface and allows you to absorb more heat
- 21 | more quickly.
- 22 Q. Is there a burner in a HRSG?
- 23 A. Not always, no. There can be, though. The burner,
- 24 | instead of a circular burner like you see in a Keystone, is a
- 25 | duct burner. It's a series of pipes in the duct that burns the

- 1 | fuel. Whereas, the Keystone has a circular burner in the
- 2 | center of the furnace or two, that is mounted on the front end.
- Q. What's the address for where the home office is for
- 4 Indeck Keystone Energy?
- 5 A. 5451 Merwin Lane.
- 6 0. Where is that located?
- 7 A. That's out at Penn State Behrend campus, it's the
- 8 | Knowledge Park area there.
- 9 Q. How long has Indeck Keystone been in business,
- 10 | approximately?
- 11 A. Since September, 2004.
- 12 | Q. Did you start working with Indeck Keystone right from the
- 13 | beginning?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. How many employees did Indeck Keystone have at the
- 16 | beginning?
- 17 A. Eleven.
- 18 Q. How many does it currently have?
- 19 A. Twenty-eight.
- 20 | Q. Now, in terms of the 28 employees who are currently
- 21 | there, how many of them had a relationship with one of the
- 22 | predecessor companies of Indeck Keystone?
- 23 | A. All 28.
- 24 | Q. Can you give some idea to the jury as to what the average
- 25 | length of time those employees worked with one of the

100

- 1 | predecessor companies as to the present?
- 2 A. Oh, goodness. Probably the average tenure --
- MR. SHEEAN: Judge, I'd object, this is speculation.
- 4 THE COURT: Lay the foundation.
- 5 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 6 Q. Did you previously work with any of the 28 people prior
- 7 | to the formation of Indeck Keystone Energy?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Over what period of time have you worked with the various
- 10 | individuals that comprise that 28?
- 11 A. Well, I've been there 40 years. Some haven't been there
- 12 | quite that many years.
- 13 | Q. Throughout those 40 years, did you at some point work
- 14 | with each of those 28 individuals?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Now, you said you're currently manager of field services.
- 17 | How much of your time is spent on Keystone boilers?
- 18 A. In the service department, probably about that 60 to 70
- 19 | percent.
- 20 | Q. And is that business profitable or unprofitable for the
- 21 | company?
- 22 A. It's profitable.
- 23 | Q. Now, let's talk a little about what boilers are
- 24 | generally, and can you explain for the jury what a boiler is,
- 25 | and I'm focusing on an industrial boiler as opposed to one that

- 1 | would be in residential use?
- 2 A. An industrial boiler, the type of boilers we produce make
- 3 | steam.
- 4 | Q. How is the steam used?
- 5 A. Steam could be used in anything from cooking dog food, to
- 6 driving a turbine to make electricity. To starting up a
- 7 | nuclear power plant. To heating the Saint Vincent's Hospital
- 8 here in Erie. For example, there are two of our Keystones in
- 9 the basement there. Heating hospitals. Heating schools,
- 10 prisons. Anywhere where steam is used we can furnish that
- 11 steam.
- 12 | Q. Could you put up please the demonstrative exhibit. Mr.
- 13 | Swabb, can you describe what is shown here -- can you explain
- 14 | for the jury what is shown in this sequence of pictures?
- 15 | A. This is the same boiler at different sequences of
- 16 | assembly in the shop. It's just a brief view to tell people
- 17 | that, when you want to buy one, here's kind of the stages you
- 18 | go through to make it. The first stage in the upper left-hand
- 19 | corner is showing the tubes. This is a tangent tube unit.
- 20 | It's not a standard Keystone, but it's a tangent tube unit that
- 21 | has essentially the same features.
- 22 Q. Let me stop you right there first. When you talk about
- 23 | tangent tube, what does that mean?
- 24 | A. Tangent tubes are two-inch od tubes on four-inch centers,
- 25 | two-inch centers, I'm sorry.

- 1 | Q. What is meant by the word tangent?
- 2 A. Tangent tubes means they're shoulder to shoulder, they're
- 3 | touching.
- 4 | Q. Now, in this first picture here, how many different rows
- 5 of tubes are there?
- 6 A. You have one row of furnace tubes, that's two tubes
- 7 | involved, that's the inside circle.
- 8 Q. What is the purpose of the furnace tubes?
- 9 A. The furnace tubes envelop the flame.
- 10 | Q. What's the source of the flame?
- 11 A. The flame is a burner that's mounted in the front of the
- 12 unit which should be coming in from the left.
- 13 Q. Which tubes take on the highest amount of heat in a
- 14 | Keystone boiler?
- 15 A. The furnace tubes.
- 16 Q. What's the next row of tubes called?
- 17 A. The next row of tubes is the convection tubes.
- 18 | O. What do the convection tubes do?
- 19 A. The convection tubes take the heat from the flue gases
- 20 | that are rubbing against those tubes. They're space tubes,
- 21 | they're not tangent.
- 22 Q. When you're talking about flue gases, what does that
- 23 | mean?
- 24 A. That's the products of combustion. That's the exhaust
- 25 gases.

- 1 Q. Are the exhaust gases something that need to be
- 2 | controlled?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Where do they eventually end up?
- 5 | A. They eventually end up going out the stack.
- 6 Q. And then after that convection tubes -- how many rows of
- 7 | convection tubes are there?
- 8 A. This particular unit has three.
- 9 Q. And then what's the next row of tubes?
- 10 A. The next row is tangent tubes, the tangent outer wall
- 11 | tubes that hold the flue gases in the combustion, go through
- 12 | the combustion chamber, the gases go to the rear of the
- 13 | combustion chamber and come back up through the boiler bag.
- 14 The outer wall tube is another tangent wall to form like the
- 15 | side walls of the whole thing.
- 16 | Q. Now, what's the purpose of the outer wall tube?
- 17 | A. To contain the heat and also to absorb the heat, generate
- 18 | steam.
- 19 Q. Now, the jury heard during opening statement about an
- 20 | O-type boiler versus a D versus an A; what type of boiler is
- 21 | this?
- 22 | A. It's an O.
- 23 | Q. How can you tell?
- 24 | A. You have symmetrical drums, and the tubes form like
- 25 | concentric Os, concentric circles.

- 1 Q. What is the drawing down here called and what is its
- 2 purpose?
- 3 A. That's a lower drum, also known as a mud drum, you can
- 4 use the terms interchangeably.
- 5 Q. What's the purpose of the lower drum or the mud drum?
- 6 A. Just to collect the tubes and feed water to the boiler
- 7 | bank tubes, all the boiler tubes.
- 8 | Q. Does the water actually circulate from each of these
- 9 different rows of tubes?
- 10 A. Yes. There has to be water in all the tubes.
- 11 | Q. What happens if there isn't?
- 12 A. They burn out.
- 13 Q. That's a maintenance problem that you would address?
- 14 | A. Yes.
- 15 | Q. And then what happens in the upper drum?
- 16 A. The upper drum collects the tubes at the top and that's
- 17 | where the steam is released.
- 18 THE COURT: Mr. Gisleson, we're going to take a
- 19 | five-minute recess.
- MR. GISLESON: Yes, your Honor.
- 21 (Recess at 3:47 p.m.; until 4:00 p.m.).
- 22 THE COURT: All right, Mr. Gisleson.
- 23 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 24 Q. Can you put up the exhibit. Just to quickly run through
- 25 | these again. You said that there are different phases of

- 1 construction. Walking through going clockwise, can you explain
- 2 | what is shown in each of these pictures?
- 3 A. The first picture in the upper left-hand side is as
- 4 | they're tubing the boiler, that's putting the tubes in the
- 5 drum, and expanding the tubes.
- 6 | Q. And then the next picture, please?
- 7 A. The next picture to the right is putting the seal casings
- 8 on the tangent tubes.
- 9 Q. What is a seal casing?
- 10 A. The seal casing is a sheet metal casing, it's like a skin
- 11 on the boiler that is seal welded to keep the gases inside.
- 12 The pressure inside the boiler is greater than atmospheric
- 13 | pressure.
- 14 Q. The significance of which is what?
- 15 | A. If it leaks out, you'll get burned. So the idea of the
- 16 | skin casing is to stay against the tubes, to to stay cool,
- 17 | expand with the tubes. Then the stiffeners, the parts that
- 18 | look like studs.
- 19 Q. Do you mean the long vertical bars?
- 20 A. Correct, those we call stiffeners. That holds the
- 21 | casings against the tubes, to keep it in minimum contact with
- 22 | the tubes. And also because of the pressure inside, you don't
- 23 | want it to go like a balloon. That type of thing going on
- 24 | where it bulges the casings. Also, the stiffeners also help
- 25 | hold the insulation and the outer casing on.

106

- 1 Q. For this one there are two holes in the front, why are
- 2 | there two holes?
- 3 | A. Two burners.
- 4 Q. Is there always two burners in a boiler?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 Q. What's the alternative?
- 7 A. One burner. For the Keystones, it's usually one or two.
- 8 Q. Go to next photo, please. What does this show?
- 9 A. This one shows the insulation being applied to the seal
- 10 | casing.
- 11 Q. What is the purpose of the insulation?
- 12 A. To keep the heat in, and keep the heat off of people
- 13 | walking by.
- 14 | Q. And the last photo?
- 15 A. The last photo is it loaded on to the rail car ready for
- 16 | shipment to the customer.
- 17 Q. Is that what's meant by a package being shipped as an
- 18 | integral unit?
- 19 A. Correct, it has the burners installed, there's piping and
- 20 | trim, it's just about ready to operate.
- 21 | Q. How long has the Keystone boiler been in existence?
- 22 | A. Since 1950.
- 23 | Q. Has the design been static, remained the same from 1950
- 24 | to the present?
- 25 | A. Not at all, it's always evolving.

- Q. Now, how are the sizes of the boilers measured, for the Keystone boilers?
- A. The keystone boilers, the modern package boilers today
- 4 | are measured in the steam they generate, how many pounds per
- 5 hour. That's defined by your client, if he says I need 100,000
- 6 pounds of steam per hour, so you select the boilers based on
- 7 | the fuel that he wants to burn to achieve that. And he'll say
- 8 | I want that 100,000 pounds per hour, at 100 pounds, 200, 300,
- 9 depends on what he wants to use the steam for.
- 10 Q. And what's the range in pounds per hour from smallest to
- 11 | largest for a Keystone of any kind?
- 12 A. From 20,000 pounds per hour, which would kind of fit in
- 13 | the basement of our house, to 450,000 pounds per hour, where
- 14 you could probably actually fit your house in the furnace. So
- 15 | it kind of gives you an idea of the scale. They're big.
- 16 Q. Now, for the 450,000 pound unit, is that a package unit?
- 17 A. No. That one is assembled in the field.
- 18 Q. What's that called?
- 19 A. Field assembled.
- 20 Q. If you could turn to 135, please, which is Exhibit P9,
- 21 | and just to give some idea of the size of the boilers, if you
- 22 | had to estimate what the pounds per hour is of this one in the
- 23 | photograph --
- 24 A. That one, it's kind of hard to see the photograph with
- 25 | the contrast, it's probably about 100,000 pounds per hour.

108

- 1 Q. Is that someone standing --
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. On a ladder of some sort?
- 4 A. No, he's just standing on the floor. Well, actually
- 5 | there's like a step, like three steps.
- 6 Q. And what are they doing in this photograph?
- 7 A. It looks like they're trying to apply the furnace floor
- 8 | seal, which is a refractory seal.
- 9 Q. Let me ask you this. By having a photograph like that in
- 10 | a marketing brochure, are you opening up the barn door and
- 11 | releasing all the secrets that are part of that boiler?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 | Q. Why not?
- 14 A. Maybe you can see in the barn that it's a horse, but
- 15 | that's about it.
- 16 Q. When did the manufacturing of Keystone boilers stop
- 17 | locally?
- 18 A. 1995.
- 19 Q. Go to 133, please, in Exhibit P9. Where was the
- 20 | manufacturing facility located?
- 21 A. 1422 East Avenue.
- 22 | Q. Did you ever go on site to 1422 East Avenue?
- 23 A. I was there for 30 years.
- 24 | Q. And what is shown in the picture on the right?
- 25 | A. The picture on the right is a shot of the shop floor at

```
1 | 1422 East Avenue, kind of during the heyday. We were putting 2 | 260 boilers a year out of the shop. And this shows Keystone
```

- 3 | boilers, as well as heat recovery boilers.
- THE COURT: Excuse me, Mr. Gisleson, it occurs to
 me, maybe you already mentioned it, but I see on the
 photographs there are exhibit stickers, is that correct?
- 7 MR. GISLESON: Yes, your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: Have we been identifying them as we go?
- 9 MR. GISLESON: I have't yet, I have been using
- 10 isolated photographs.
- 11 THE COURT: Just for future reference, both sides,
 12 it's probably a good idea that there be a reference, for record
 13 purposes, as to what everyone is talking about.
- MR. GISLESON: Yes, your Honor. The numbers I've been using are numbers, our Bates stamping system, but I'll
- 16 make sure in the future to identify specifically the exhibit
- 17 | numbers.
- 18 BY MR. GISLESON:
- 19 Q. The photograph that we're looking at on the right is from
- 20 Exhibit P9, which is a copy of the Zurn/Keystone steam
- 21 generating systems sales brochure, is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Had you personally seen that brochure previously in the
- 24 | past?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 | Q. And on the right in the manufacturing facility, you said
- 2 | that's where you worked for approximately 30 years?
- 3 A. I didn't work in the manufacturing facility, the
- 4 engineering office were across the street and under the
- 5 | viaduct.
- 6 Q. So who currently manufactures then the Keystone boilers?
- 7 A. They truly can be manufactured anywhere in the world.
- 8 | They're all out-sourced, it could be anywhere from Buffalo, New
- 9 York, to Korea, to Canada.
- 10 | Q. For those party manufacturers, do they enter into
- 11 | confidentiality agreements?
- 12 A. Yes, they do.
- 13 Q. For how many of them?
- 14 A. How many?
- 15 Q. Yes, some of them, all of them?
- 16 | A. All of them, I don't know how many different
- 17 | manufacturers we work with, I don't have a count.
- 18 | Q. What are the types of fuel for the Keystone boiler?
- 19 A. For a Keystone package boiler, the primarily fuels are
- 20 | liquid -- for the Keystone package boiler, there either gas,
- 21 | like natural gas or liquid, like oils.
- 22 Q. Looking again at Exhibit P9 on page 139, can you identify
- 23 | what this shows, please?
- 24 A. This shows, it's a pictorial representation of a tangent
- 25 | tube Keystone, with a super heater.